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Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
State of Louisiana
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; and Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; METCALF FIELD, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

J-W OPERATING COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; to the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; and to the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; all in the Metcalf Field, Caddo Parish, Louisiana:

1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated HOSS RA SUB.

2. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated CV RA SUB.

3. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, such unit being shown on an attached plat and being designated HA RA SUD.

4. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within each of the proposed additional units in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.

5. To designate a unit operator of, and unit well for, each of the proposed additional units as may be appropriate.

6. To redefine the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Metcalf Field, insofar and only insofar as to the additional unit proposed herein for that zone, as being the interval encountered between the depths of 8,618 feet and 10,173 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Chesapeake

Operating Inc.--Chiggero 14-16-15H No. 1 Well, located in Section 14, Township 16 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

7. To redefine the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Metcalf Field, insofar and only insofar as to the additional unit proposed herein for that zone, as being the interval encountered between the depths of 10,173 feet and 11,619 feet (electrical log measurements), in the Chesapeake Operating Inc.--Chiggero 14-16-15H No. 1 Well, located in Section 14, Township 16 North, Range 15 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

8. To provide that with respect to any horizontal well drilled within the proposed unit for the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, where the horizontal portion of the well is cased and cemented back above the top of the Haynesville Zone, the distance to any unit boundary and offset well will be calculated based on the distance to the nearest perforation in the well and not based on the penetration point or terminus of the well in the Haynesville Zone.

9. To permit Applicant to combine downhole production from the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; and the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A; or any combination thereof, in any well drilled on the proposed additional units in which the interests in the units from which production is to be combined downhole are identical.

10. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 813-D, effective November 6, 2007, to the proposed additional unit for the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A.

11. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 813-C, effective November 6, 2007, to the proposed additional unit for the Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A.

12. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 813-B, effective November 6, 2007, as amended and supplemented by the Order No. 813-B series of Orders, to the proposed additional unit for the Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A.

13. To discuss such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston Zone, Reservoir A, in the Metcalf Field was initially defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 813-D, effective November 6, 2007.

The Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Metcalf Field was initially defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 813-C, effective November 6, 2007.

The Haynesville Zone, Reservoir A, in the Metcalf Field was initially defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 813-B, effective November 6, 2007.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Mr. Joe B. Adams, 21010 Vermont Street, Livingston, Louisiana 70754. Any person

wishing to inspect any such data should call Mr. Adams at (225) 686-2355 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

By letter dated April 27, 2009, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set May 22, 2009, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. No conference request was received within the delays provided for in the Rules of Procedure; accordingly, no pre-application conference will be held.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of each of the unit plats (which are identical to the unit plats attached to the pre-application notice) is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and of the attached plats is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plats, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Metcalf Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,

David L. Smelley
Attorney for J-W Operating Company

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Enclosures
cc: Mr. James C. Broussard (w/encls.)
Mr. Jerry Wooten (w/encls.)
Mr. Michael Baca (w/encls.)
Mr. Joe Adams (w/encls.)
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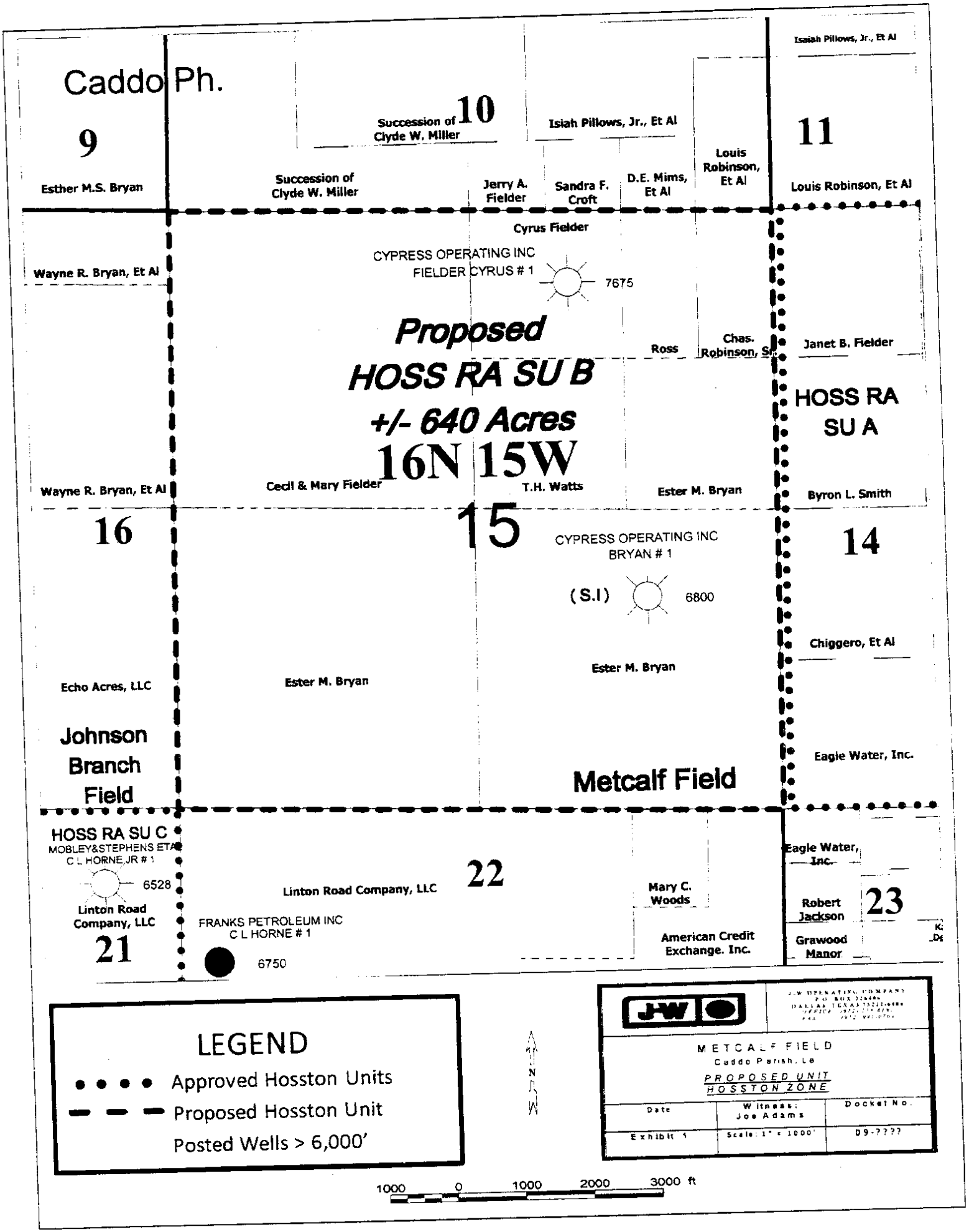
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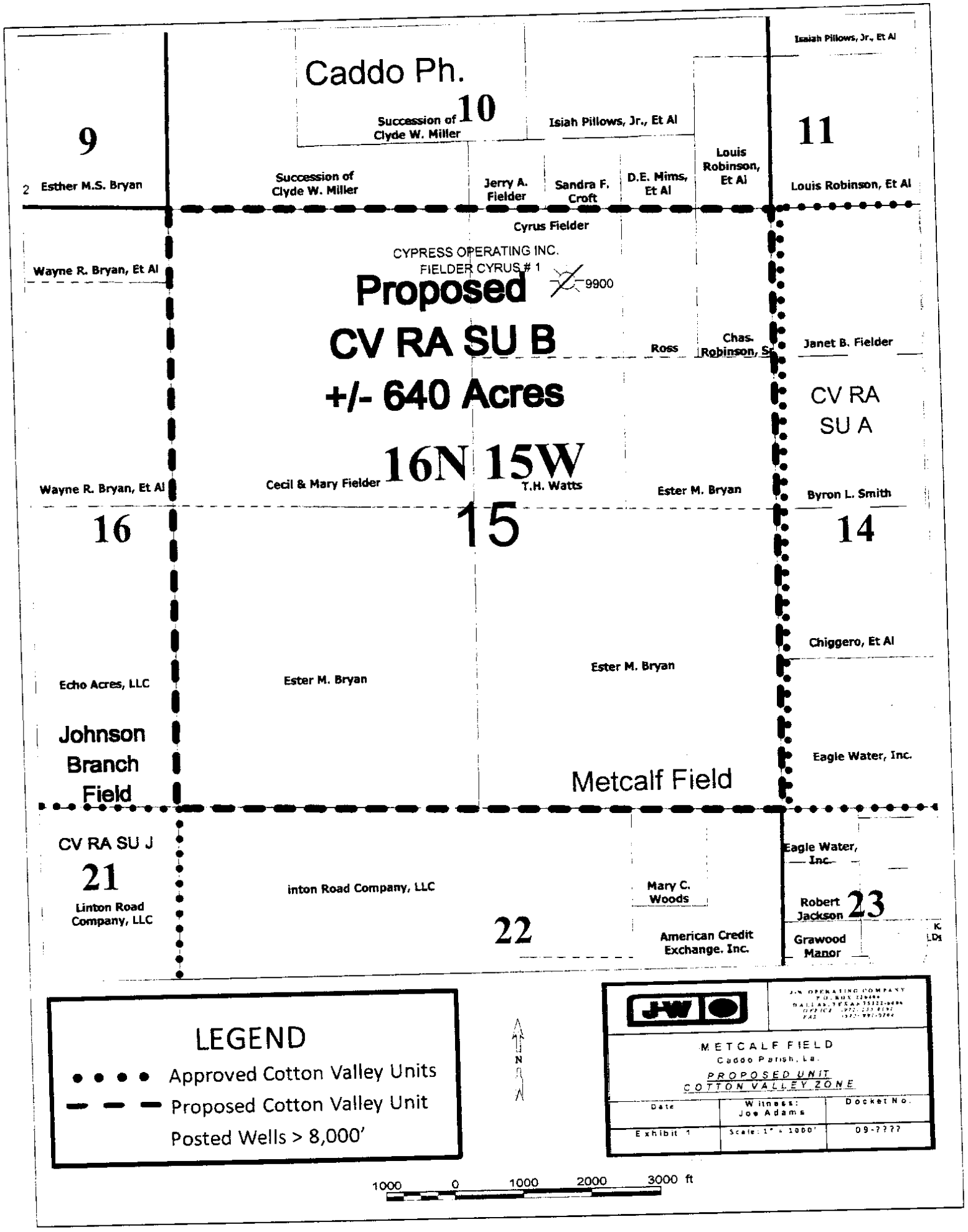
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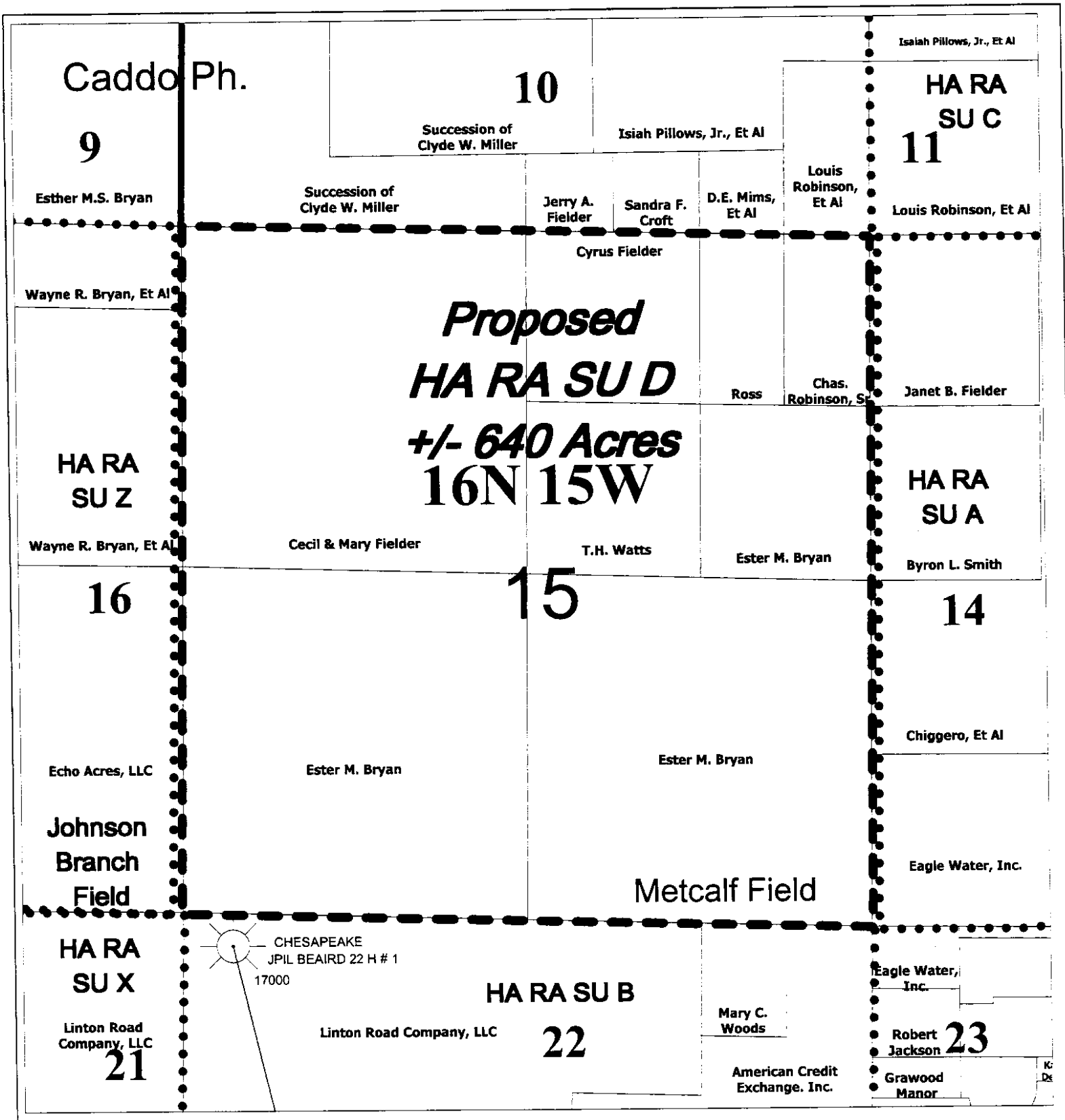

LEGEND

- Approved Haynesville Units
- Proposed Haynesville Unit
- Posted Wells > 10,000'

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